

## **AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

Please replace paragraph [001] and [054] with the following amended paragraphs:

**[001]** This application is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/735,417 ~~[[—/—]]~~, filed December 12, 2003, and entitled "Network Tap with Interchangeable Ports," (Attorney Docket No. 15436.204.2) which application claims priority to and benefit of U.S. Provisional Patent Application Serial No. 60/459,166, filed March 31, 2003, entitled "Network Security Tap For Use With Intrusion Detection System" and priority to and benefit of U.S. Provisional Patent Application Serial No. 60/477,866, filed June 12, 2003, entitled "Network Tap with Interchangeable Ports," each of which patent applications are incorporated herein by reference in their entireties.